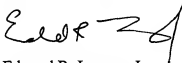


**REMARKS**

In the present Preliminary Amendment, Claims 1-14 are cancelled, and new Claims 15-51 are added.

Entry of the present Preliminary Amendment and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edward R. Lawson Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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